

**University of Wisconsin – Superior
Graduate Council Meeting Minutes**

March 25, 2014

Present: Clark (Chair), Paul (Secretary), Burdge, Hembd, Kline, Masterson, Notton **Staff:** Finckler **Absent:** Banks, Blue, Cross, Harrison, Loonsk, Mueller

Call to Order: Clark called the meeting to order at 11:37 AM

1. **Approval of Minutes of March 4, 2014:** Motion by Burdge, second by Hembd. Motion carried.
2. **Interim Dean Report:** None
3. **Graduate Programs Catalog Copy - Departments:**
 - a. **Sustainable Management:** Hembd said this is the first time graduate-level SMGT courses will be in the catalog. Clark indicated there is a change in procedure regarding submittal of catalog copy—once Grad Council has approved, then department chairs send copy to Registrar’s Office. Motion by Burdge, second by Masterson. Motion carried to have new graduate-level SMGT major in 2014-2016 catalog.
 - b. **Special Education:** Burge talked of the addition of new, approved course, SPED 769. Personnel changes, information regarding Praxis II, Reading Foundation exams were added as well as information regarding Post Baccalaureate Program, pending DPI approval. Motion by Masterson, second by Hembd. Motion carried for these changes to SPED for the 2014-16 catalog.
 - c. **Library:** Library staff not present.
 - d. **Communicating Arts:** Notton indicated changes were cosmetic; nothing significant. Motion by Hembd, second by Burdge. Motion carried to approve these changes.
4. **MOU UCDE & UW-S Sustainable Management:** Hembd indicated more discussion is needed.
5. **“The Superior Plan”:** Clark indicated the first draft is under revision. Will keep on agenda for future action. Hembd stated the rough draft will be posted by April 4th and an on-campus feedback session will be April 9th 11:30am – 1:00pm.
6. **Good of the Order:** Prioritization report on rubrics and Counselor Breakfast on April 21st are discussion topics for next GC meeting.
7. **Next GC Meeting: April 1, 2014**

Petition acted on since last Grad Council meeting: Emiley Mattonen – approved.

Petition from Aaron Flottum approved.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Suzie Finckler

Master of Science in Sustainable Management

In today's world, understanding how to balance natural, social, and financial systems has become increasingly important for helping you to reach your career goals and become an effective leader in public, business/industry, and nonprofit organizations. The interdisciplinary nature of this degree encourages students to examine sustainability from different perspectives and the curriculum ensures that students gain a comprehensive understanding of the ways in which changing human activities affect the natural, social and economic environments.

Students who graduate with a Master of Science in Sustainable Management can expect to have a strong foundation for leading change in their current organizations or building new careers that require systems thinking skills.

The 14-course online Sustainable Management master's program is offered by UW-Green Bay, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Parkside, UW-Stout, and UW-Superior in collaboration with UW-Extension. Current, cutting-edge curriculum has been developed by faculty from these five campuses with input from private, public, and nonprofit organizations to make sure the learning objectives are current and valuable to future employers.

Designed for working adults with real-world experience, this online master's degree program offers flexibility to help students balance family, job, and other commitments.

If you have a bachelor's degree from a regionally or nationally accredited university and a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or above, you may apply directly to the program. Students with a GPA of less than 3.0 may be considered for provisional admission but should contact the program's Academic Director.

Curriculum and Courses

The 34-credit master's program consists of a core curriculum, specialty tracks, and a Capstone experience (typically taken during the final semester).

Core Curriculum (24 credits, all eight courses required)

- SMGT 700 Cultural and Historical Foundations of Sustainability (3 credits)
- SMGT 710 The Natural Environment (3 credits)
- SMGT 720 Applied Research and the Triple Bottom Line (3 credits)
- SMGT 730 Policy, Law, and the Ethics of Sustainability (3 credits)
- SMGT 740 Economics of Sustainability (3 credits)
- SMGT 750 The Built Environment (3 credits)
- SMGT 760 Geopolitical Systems—Decision Making for Sustainability on the Local, State, and National Level (3 credits)
- SMGT 770 Leading Sustainable Organizations (3 credits)

